

# EMTA Forum in Singapore

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## Panel 1

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### **ROBERT CARNELL (Moderator)**

ING Bank

Rob Carnell is Head of Research and Chief Economist Asia Pacific for ING Bank. He joined ING in October 2004 and until May 2017, was working in London as ING's Chief International Economist.

Prior to ING, Rob worked as Senior International Economist for Commonwealth Bank of Australia, and as Pan Asia Economist for Schroder Investment Management. He started his career 30 years ago as an Economist with the UK Government, working in the International Finance Directorates and Inflation and Monetary Policy units of HM Treasury. He holds First Class Honours and Masters' Degrees in Economics.

Rob is a regular on business news channels such as Bloomberg, BBC Business and CNBC, and says the best bit of his job is speaking to clients. "You're never as good at your job as you are the week after a client roadshow" he says.

Rob enjoys testing the boundaries of the dismal science. He is an ardent critic of central bank policies and has also published on non-mainstream issues such as the economic consequences of rising obesity, green energy and climate change.

Outside work, his interests center on Indian Food, English beer and Cricket, ideally simultaneously.

### **ADAM MCCABE**

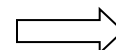
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Adam McCabe is the Head of Fixed Income - Asia Pacific. Adam joined the firm via the acquisition of certain asset management businesses from Credit Suisse in 2009. Adam worked for Credit Suisse since 2001, where he was a director/investment manager responsible for the development and implementation of its Asian currency and interest rate strategies.

Before that, he was a member of Credit Suisse's Australian fixed income team, where he was responsible for interest rate and currency strategies. Adam was also Head of Fixed Income for Woori Credit Suisse Asset Management, Korea, where he was responsible for the fixed income and money market portfolio management, investment strategy and processes.

Adam graduated with a BComm (First Class Honours and University Medal) from the University of Sydney, Australia and a Diploma in Global Finance from the Chinese University of Hong Kong.

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**CELESTE TAY**  
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Celeste is a Director based in Singapore and is the Head of the Rates, FX & Sovereign Credit Strategy pillar within the APAC Credit and Fixed Income Research team. She is responsible for generating alpha investment ideas in APAC rates, FX and sovereign credit markets and driving the rates, FX and sovereign credit research agenda that feeds into the Asian and global credit platforms.

Celeste has about 15 years of experience in the Macro markets and 11 years in the sovereign credit markets. She joined BlackRock in 2021 from Loomis Sayles Investments Asia, where she was an EM and Macro Strategist and Senior Sovereign Analyst.

Prior to this role, she covered Australian and New Zealand Fixed Income and FX markets at Forecast and Macquarie Funds Managements in Sydney.

Ms. Tay earned a Bachelor of Commerce with Honours from the University of New South Wales in Sydney, Australia in 2007.

**PETER MUMFORD**  
Eurasia Group

Peter leads Eurasia Group's coverage of Southeast Asia. He focuses primarily on Indonesia, Thailand, Malaysia, the Philippines, and Vietnam—as well as on pan-Asia trade, supply chain, and infrastructure developments. Peter also frequently presents on geopolitical, trade, and security trends across the wider Indo-Pacific region at client events and public conferences. He is based in Singapore.

Prior to joining Eurasia Group, Peter spent 15 years in the British foreign service in high-profile roles in London, Iraq, China, and Southeast Asia. This includes over four years leading the UK government's engagement on economic, financial, and trade policy across Southeast Asia. Prior to that, he spent nearly five years in Beijing, where he led analysis of China's economy and financial sector capacity-building programs. He also led negotiations on market access and on making London an offshore renminbi market—for which he was awarded an OBE.

Peter holds a master of public administration from the London School of Economics, as well as master's and bachelor's degrees in economics from London and Edinburgh universities, respectively. He speaks passable Mandarin Chinese.

**PRASHANT SINGH**  
Neuberger Berman

Prashant Singh, CFA, is a Senior Portfolio Manager on the Emerging Markets Debt team at Neuberger Berman. Prashant joined the firm in 2013. He is responsible for managing the emerging markets debt portfolios in the Asia region, focusing on rates and currencies. Prashant joined the firm after working at ING Investment Management, where he held a similar role.

Prior to that, he worked on the ING Investment Management (India) fixed income desk and was responsible for managing Indian fixed income and money market funds.

Prashant graduated from St. Stephen's College, University of Delhi, India with a BS in Mathematics and earned an MBA from the Indian Institute of Management, Ahmedabad, specializing in Finance. Prashant has been awarded the Chartered Financial Analyst designation.